IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of

Guillaume RIBADEAU-DUMAS et al.

Serial No.09/305,178

) Art Unit: 1761

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) Examiner: P. DUBOIS

FOR: A SWEETENING COMPOSITION AND ITS USES

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified Applicants be granted an extension of time for the period of two (2) months from May 1, 2001 to July 1, 2001, in the above-identified application to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated February 1,2001.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$390.00 to cover the cost of the time extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account number 08-1650.

If the Examiner has any questions, or wishes to discuss this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Guillaume RIBADEAU-DUMAS et al.

Dated: <u>June 6, 2001</u>

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